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# RESEARCH APPENDIX - Draft Transfer/Copy Request Form

- Atty's please complete this form and give to Mike Barman

- For research purposes, because the original 2005 draft was incorporated into another 2005 draft, the original drafting file will be copied on yellow paper (darkened/auto centered/reduced to 90%) and added, as a separate appendix, to the new 2005 drafting file. This request form will be inserted into the "guts" of the new 2005 draft. If introduced the appendix will be scanned/added to the electronic drafting file folder.
- The original drafting file will then returned, intact, to its folder and filed. For future reference, a copy of the transfer/copy request form will also be added to the "guts" of the original draft.

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Current law provides that no person may be denied admission to any public school or charter school on the basis of sex or provide denied the benefits of any service or curricular or extracurricular activity on the basis of sex. This bill permits the operation of public schools and charter schools that enroll only one sex if there is made available to pupils of the opposite sex courses, services, and facilities that are comparable to each course, service, and facility offered in or through the single—sex school; if the federal Department of Education finds that a school board or chartering entity has discriminated on the basis of sex and deems a single—sex school necessary to overcome the effects of such discrimination; or if a school board or chartering entity operates a single—sex school on its own initiative to overcome the effects of conditions that resulted in limited participation in a school by persons of a particular sex.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

**SECTION 1.** 118.13 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

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118.13 (1) No Except as provided in s. 120.13 (38), no person may be denied admission to any public school or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity because of the person's sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

**SECTION 2.** 118.40 (4) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

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**SECTION 3.** 118.40 (4) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

118.40 (4) (c) Single-sex schools. A school board may enter into a contract for, and an entity under sub. (2r) may establish or enter into a contract for, the establishment of a charter school that enrolls only one sex pursuant to 34 CFR 106.3 (a) or (b) or in compliance with 34 CFR 106.35 (b).

**SECTION 4.** 119.04 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

119.04 (1) Subchapters IV, V and VII of ch. 115, ch. 121 and ss. 66.0235 (3) (c), 115.01 (1) and (2), 115.28, 115.31, 115.33, 115.34, 115.343, 115.345, 115.361, 115.38 (2), 115.45, 118.001 to 118.04, 118.045, 118.06, 118.07, 118.10, 118.12, 118.125 to 118.14, 118.145 (4), 118.15, 118.153, 118.16, 118.162, 118.163, 118.164, 118.18, 118.19, 118.20, 118.24 (1), (2) (c) to (f), (6) and (8), 118.245, 118.255, 118.258, 118.291, 118.30 to 118.43, 118.51, 118.52, 118.55, 120.12 (5) and (15) to (26), 120.125, 120.13 (1), (2) (b) to (g), (3), (14), (17) to (19), (26), (34), (35) and, (37), and (38), 120.14, and 120.25 are applicable to a 1st class city school district and board.

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From:

Grant, Peter

Sent:

Monday, January 03, 2005 4:43 PM

To:

Knudson, Steve

Subject:

Single-sex schools and classes

Steve, I've run into a problem redrafting Rep. Jensen's bill relating to single-sex schools and classes.

The bill as drafted allows single-sex schools in three sets of circumstances; if the action is remedial (in response to a DOE finding of discrimination); if the action constitutes affirmative action to overcome the effects of conditions that resulted in limited participation in a school by persons of a particular sex; or if there is made available to pupils of the opposite sex courses, facilities, and services that are comparable to each course, facility, and service offered in the single-sex school. These are allowed under federal regulations.

Under the regulations, however, single-sex classes are generally prohibited. The only exemptions are for classes or activities intended for the promotion of any Boys or Girls State or Boys or Girls Nation conferences; father-son or motherdaughter activities; physical education classes that involve contact sports; and portions of classes that deal exclusively with human sexuality. In addition, separation of pupils by sex is permitted if it constitutes remedial or affirmative action, as described above. But there is no "comparable courses, facilities, and services" exception for single-sex classes.

Let me know how you wish to proceed or if you have questions or need more information.

Peter Grant, Managing Attorney Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau 608-267-3362 peter.grant@legis.state.wi.us

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From:

Grant. Peter

Sent:

Wednesday, January 12, 2005 3:49 PM

To:

Knudson, Steve

Subject: RE: Single Sex Classrooms

#### Steve -

I've looked at the NASSPE web site. Obviously, many schools have single-sex classes. As I mentioned in my previous e-mail, the federal regulations allow single-sex classes in certain circumstances. But I'm not sure that they allow them in the circumstances that you requested. You requested a bill that would allow single-sex schools or classes if there is made available to pupils of the opposite sex schools or classes that are comparable to each school or class offered in or through the single-sex school or class. The regulations allow single-sex schools under those conditions, but they do not appear to allow single-sex classes under those conditions.

The only single-sex classes allowed are physical education classes that involve contact sports and portions of classes that deal exclusively with human sexuality. In addition, separation of pupils by sex is permitted if it constitutes remedial or affirmative action. But there is no "comparable courses, facilities, and services" exception for single-sex classes.

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- 1) provide a rationale for offering a single-gender class in that subject. A variety of rationales are acceptable, e.g. if very few girls have taken computer science in the past, the school could offer a girls-only computer science class;
- 2) provide a coeducational class in the same subject at the same school;
- 3) conduct periodic review to determine whether single-sex classes are still necessary to remedy whatever inequity prompted the school to offer the single-sex class in the first place.

Actually, on March 3, 2004, the U.S. Department of Education published their recommended changes to Title IX regulations. The changes identified by NASSPE have not been adopted.

I would be happy to redraft the bill the way you initially requested, but I thought that the potential problems should be brought to your attention. Again, let me know how you would like me to proceed.

Peter

----Original Message----From: Knudson, Steve

Sent: Wednesday, January 12, 2005 11:48 AM

To: Grant, Peter

Subject: Single Sex Classrooms

http://www.singlesexschools.org/schools-classrooms.htm

From: Knudson, Steve

Sent: Wednesday, January 12, 2005 3:57 PM

To: Grant, Peter

Subject: RE: Single Sex Classrooms

The reserach we have done indicates the majority of schools offer single sex classes in math and science. I guess our office will have to research that legal issue and develop the basis for offering such classes in Wisconsin.

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http://www.singlesexschools.org/schools-classrooms.htm

From: Knudson, Steve

**Sent:** Friday, January 21, 2005 9:35 AM

To: Grant, Peter

Subject: Single Sex Classrooms

### Good morning Peter,

In your January 12 email regarding drafting the bill to allow single sex classrooms in addition to single sex schools, you said you would be happy to redraft the bill as our office initially requested. After further research, we would indeed like to you redraft the bill as Representative Jensen initially requested.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Steve Knudson Office of State Representative Scott Jensen



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AN ACT to amend 118.13 (1), 118.40 (4) (b) 2., 119.04 (1) and 119.22; and to create

118.40 (4) (c) and 120.13 (38) of the statutes; relating to: allowing single-sex public and elementer schools.

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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, no person may be denied admission to any public or charter school, or denied the benefits of any service or curricular or extracurricular activity, on the basis of sex. This bill permits public schools and charter schools to enroll only one sex if there is made available to pupils of the opposite sex courses, services, and facilities that are comparable to each comparate and facility offered in or through the single-sex school if the federal Department of Education finds that a school board or chartering entity has discriminated on the basis of sex and deems a single-sex school necessary to overcome the effects of such discrimination; or if a school board or chartering entity operates a single-sex school on its own initiative to overcome the effects of conditions that resulted in limited participation in a school by persons of a particular sex or course

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### Barman, Mike

From: Grant, Peter

**Sent:** Monday, January 31, 2005 12:59 PM

To: Barman, Mike

Subject: FW: Please Jacket LRB-0524/2

----Original Message-----From: Knudson, Steve

Sent: Monday, January 31, 2005 12:20 PM

To: Grant, Peter

**Subject:** Please Jacket LRB-0524/2

Hello Peter,

Please jacket LRB-0524/2, re: allowing school boards and charter schools to establish single-sex schools and courses.

Thank you, Steve Knudson Office of State Representative Scott Jensen